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The University College of the Cayman Islands (UCCI) finance students welcomed a presentation on the hedge fund industry from Mr. Geoff Varga of Kinetic Partners, a global professional services firm focused exclusively on the investment industry, in February. These students are currently pursuing their Bachelor's in Finance degree and gearing up to understand one of Cayman's important areas of focus in the financial world.

The discussion focused on the current trends of hedge funds and the importance of the Cayman Islands in providing excellent legal, regulatory, and accounting support. Students covered topics such as the definition of a hedge fund, how they are structured, interested and involved parties as well as risks and current trends.

Says UCCI's Professor, Dr. Ginni Gardiner "A guest speaker such as Mr. Varga not only brings our students and faculty state-of-the-art thinking and application of what we teach at UCCI, but also inspires and motivates our students to continue working diligently in subjects that are quite rigorous." She commented that students found the presentation helped them connect what they are learning in the classroom environment to the business environment that they will soon be moving into.

Mr. Duet Berry, Jr. said that the questions he came prepared to ask were answered throughout the presentation. "Mr. Varga's presentation was interesting and engaging", he commented, "and got me very excited about a career in finance. I plan to pursue my Masters in Finance upon graduation and move into the hedge fund industry."

"UCCI welcomes industry insight into the class environment as it adds greatly to students learning," says Kathleen Celoria, UCCI's Business Development Manager. She further explained that this is another way that UCCI develops a competency based learning model to prepare students for the working world.

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